

Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

09/695,997

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to 10/17/2005.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2,4-6,8-19 (renumbered as 1-17).
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All
 - b) Some*
 - c) None of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The application is allowable for the reasons set forth on the Applicant's response filed on October 17, 2005. Examiner agrees with the applicant's remarks made on page 15-22 of the Applicant's response filed on October 17, 2005 i.e., the claimed invention requires sending and receiving of SMS status notification information of a voice message.

Smith's reference teaches that mobile device is adapted to receive SMS message notification signal via SMS sever notifying the user of pending voice mail message in the voice mail server. Smith reference also teaches that the mobile device displays updated status notification information regarding the received voice mail message. Smith's reference also teaches that mobile device is adapted to transmit SMS message signal via SMS sever to other mobile devices.

However, Smith's reference fails to disclose that updated status notification information of the particular message (i.e., modified status information of the message) displayed on the mobile device is in response to received SMS status notification information signal transmitted from the voice mail server as cited in Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 15, 16 & 17.

Smith's reference also fails to disclose that mobile device is adapted to transmit SMS updated status notification information of the message stored in the voice mailbox

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of the mobile device in order to synchronize the status of received message stored in the voice mailbox of the voice mail server as cited in Claims 11, 13, 18 & 19.

Other cited reference fails to disclose sending and receiving of the SMS signal having updated status notification information regarding a certain voice mail message in combination with the other limitations in the claims.

The combination of the references described above do not teach the feature of the sending and receiving the SMS signal having updated status notification information of a certain voice mail message i.e., SMS modified status message information in combination with the other limitations in the claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Aung T. Win whose telephone number is (571) 272-7549. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Fan Tsang can be reached on (571) 272-7547. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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